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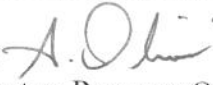
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**State of Louisiana**  
Department of Health and Hospitals  
Office of Aging and Adult Services

**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** Louisiana Hospital Association  
Louisiana Nursing Home Association  
Louisiana Rural Hospital Association  
Gulf States Association of Homes & Services for the Aging  
All Nursing Facilities and Hospitals in Louisiana

**FROM:** Anne Olivier   
Division Director, Program Operations

**DATE:** May 25, 2010

**SUBJECT:** New Level of Care Eligibility Tool (LOCET) Form for Use by Hospitals and Nursing Facilities

Please be advised that the LOCET form for the Nursing Facility Admissions process has been revised and the effective date of implementation is **June 7, 2010.**

Several items on the LOCET which were previously mandatory are no longer required to be part of the LOCET interview for nursing home admission and the form has been abbreviated to reflect this change. This has been done to streamline the Nursing Facility admission process while still retaining the validity of the Level of Care screening based upon the LOCET data.

The new LOCET and manual with instructions can be downloaded from the OAAS Website at:

<http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/publications.asp?ID=105&Detail=3006>

This does not change the Nursing Facility Admission process implemented on April 5, 2010. Please continue to follow the process which can also be found on the OAAS website.

If you have any questions, please contact the OAAS Regional Office or you can submit questions via the "Inquiry Form" found on the OAAS website.

cc: OAAS Regional Offices  
Office of Mental Health  
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